1 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 7 AT SEATTLE 8 ROBERT MELTON, JR. and LORI MELTON, husband and wife and the marital community 9 composed thereof, CASE NO. C09-0233-JCC 10 Plaintiffs, 11 **ORDER** v. 12 CITY OF BURLINGTON, a Washington State municipal corporation, SKAGIT 911 13 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS, a Washington State municipal corporation, ERIC 14 YOUNGQUIST, and STACY WILSON, 15 Defendants. 16 This matter comes before the Court on Defendant City of Burlington's Response to the Court's 17 March 5, 2009, Minute Order. (Dkt. No. 7.) Plaintiff's initial complaint, filed in the Skagit County 18 Superior Court, was not removable because it contained only state law causes of action and the parties 19 were not diverse for purposes of federal subject matter jurisdiction. The Skagit County Superior Court 20 granted Plaintiff leave to amend the initial complaint to add a federal claim under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. 21

Defendant then removed the case, contending that the district court had subject matter jurisdiction based

on the presence of the federal claim. It was not clear to the Court that the Second Amended Complaint

had actually been filed in state court, however. The Court therefore ordered Defendant to show cause

why the case should not be remanded to state court for lack of subject matter jurisdiction.

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Defendant has now shown that Plaintiff's Second Amended Complaint, containing the federal claim, has in fact been filed in state court and served upon Defendant. (Dkt. No. 8.) Thus, the case will not be remanded for lack of jurisdiction.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATED this 23rd day of March, 2009.

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